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Riverside City Attorney to Lead Statewide Attorneys Organization

City Attorneys Department of League of California Cities Provides Guidance Across California

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Riverside City Attorney Gregory P. Priamos has been tapped to lead a statewide organization that plays a major role in advising municipal attorneys around California on the latest developments in municipal law. The move is the latest in a series of leadership posts for Riverside officials.

Priamos, who has been Riverside City Attorney since 2001, was elected President of the City Attorneys Department of the League of California Cities today (9/19). He previously served in 2012-13 as the Department's 1st Vice President and, before that, 2nd Vice President.

"It's truly humbling to take on a role like this, working with the top attorneys from around the state," Priamos said. "I look forward to a productive year that advances the interests of cities around California, as well as the interests of the League itself."

The League of California Cities is the preeminent organization that coordinates policy proposals for cities around the state. The City Attorneys Department is made up of city attorneys from the League's member cities and produces conferences, continuing education programs and other avenues for professional development within the field.

"Greg's election as president of such a prestigious organization speaks volumes about the work he has done and continues to do for the City of Riverside," Riverside Mayor Rusty Bailey said. "It also is a testament to the culture of excellence we have established at Riverside City Hall."

Priamos has worked for the Riverside City Attorney's Office since 1993. Prior to becoming the City Attorney, he was Riverside's Supervising Deputy City Attorney in charge of the litigation services section. He became City Attorney in 2001, serving as the city's chief legal advisor, managing the City Attorney's Office and reporting directly to the City Council.

He also has been an active member of the League's City Attorneys Department, serving as 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President and chairman of the Department's Legal Advocacy Committee. He

received his Juris Doctor degree from Loyola Law School and his B.A. in political science Cum Laude from the University of Southern California.

Priamos' election is the latest in a series of leadership positions held by elected and appointed officials from Riverside.

Former Mayor Ron Loveridge is a past president of both the League of California Cities and the National League of Cities. City Clerk Colleen Nicol is a past president of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. Retired Riverside Public Utilities General Manager David H. Wright is a past president of the California Municipal Utilities Association.

"Riverside really is a leader when it comes to the delivery of professional management services at the municipal level," Priamos said. "This is something that is part of our organization. It's not just one person."